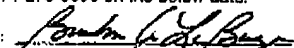


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In re Appln. of: James Leo Czekaj et al.

Appln. No.: 09/909,229

Filed: July 19, 2001

For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  
TRANSMISSION OF DIGITAL  
INFORMATION OF VARYING SAMPLE  
RATES OVER A SYNCHRONOUS  
NETWORK

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## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

Sir:

Applicant(s) requests continued examination of the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.114.

☒ Submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (check at least one of the following):☐ Previously submitted:

- ☐ Applicant(s) requests nonentry of any previously-filed unentered amendments.
- ☐ Please enter and consider the Amendment After Final Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

☒ Attached is/are:

- ☒ Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO 1449 (3 pgs.)

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- ☐ An Amendment to the written description, claims, or drawings  
☐ New Arguments and/or New Evidence in support of Patentability  
☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ Request for suspension of action:

Applicant(s) hereby request suspension of action on the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; requires Processing Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i)).

- ☐ Small Entity Status:

- ☐ Applicant hereby asserts entitlement to claim small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27.  
☐ A small entity statement or assertion of entitlement to claim small entity status was filed in prior application no. \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_ and such status is still proper and desired.  
☐ Is no longer desired.

- ☒ Applicant(s) calculate the following fees to be due in connection with this Request:


- ☒ A Request fee of \$790.00 under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e).  
☐ A suspension processing fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i).  
☐ An additional filing fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 (\_\_\_\_\_ additional independent claims and/or \_\_\_\_\_ additional total claims).  
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Respectfully submitted,

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